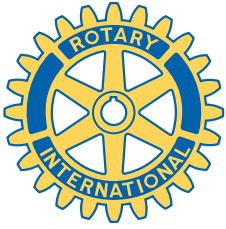


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## VITAL STATISTICS

**MEMBERSHIP:** 238

**AMBASSADORS:** Kim Adams, Fred Banfield, Gilda Banfield, Dana Funk, Alison Good, Chris Holloway, David Moertel, Lois Nietz, Judith O'Fallon, Mike O'Fallon, Karen Ricklefs, Merlin Ricklefs, Doug Rovang, Karel Weigel- Rotoract Charter Night; Judith O'Fallon, Mike O'Fallon -Winona; Sarah Burrington – Atlanta Peach Tree Club.

**GREATER ROCHESTER ROTARY:** George Allen, Cynthia Shaffer, Frank Streit.

**ECLUB:** Linda Bonow, Sarah Burrington, Jane Piepgras.



## RACE EXHIBIT

Mayo Clinic and the Rochester Public Library are partnering to bring the national touring exhibit **RACE: Are we so different?** to Rochester

Our Rotary Club has a unique opportunity - special arrangements have been made for our Club's attendance at the RACE Exhibit on June 17th, giving each of us the opportunity to learn about the cultural and anthropological heritage of racial origins. It puts the Rotary ideal of international good will and understanding on a very personal level.

There will also be some logistical issues to work around:

1. This will be our meeting for June 17. There will be no formal business meeting (following in the tradition of our trips to the airport). Attendance, however, will be counted.
2. Space at the library and the exhibit is limited, and we will need to divide our membership into two times to visit the exhibit. You should sign-up for what works best in your schedule - **11:30 a.m. or 12:15 p.m.**
3. Lunch will not be provided. You are encouraged to visit the vendors at Thursdays on First.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
June 3	<b>Mark Utz</b>	Rochester, MN
	<b>Brenda Walker</b>	Rochester, MN
June 6	<b>Christian Milaster</b>	Hamburg, Germany
June 9	<b>Judith O'Fallon</b>	Fairmont, MN
June 10	<b>Ron Seeger</b>	Prairie Farm, WI
	<b>Ralph Spiekerman</b>	Rockford, IL
June 12	<b>Paul Bleimeyer</b>	Bedford, TX
	<b>Kay Hocker</b>	Ames, Iowa
	<b>Bill Wiktor</b>	Detroit, MI
	<b>Barbara Porter</b>	San Antonio, TX
June 21	<b>Marie Maher</b>	LaCrosse, WI
	<b>Clyde Culp</b>	Tekoa, WA
June 22	<b>Carl Anderson</b>	Winterset, IA
June 23	<b>Ardell Brede</b>	Austin, MN
June 27	<b>Sue Johnson</b>	Rochester, MN
June 28	<b>Gilda Banfield</b>	Philadelphia, PA
June 29	<b>Leon Clark</b>	Chicago, IL

**Congratulations to Rochester's newly chartered Rotoract Club!**



# ROTARY NEWS

• **Thanks for your assistance at the May meetings –** Invocations: **Bill Wiktor, Jerry Williams**; Introduction of Visitors: **Jerry Downes, Leigh Johnson**; Visitor’s Desk: **Kathy Lessard, George Allen, Jerry Mahon**; Greeters: **Josef Chlachula, Marilyn Stewart, Bill Wiktor, Joanne Martin, Armin Budimlic, Jim Sloan**; 4 Way Test: **Tom Bruckman, Steve Lehmkuhle**, Cashier: **James Gibson**; Music: **Linda Herrick, Ann Beatty**

• Congratulations to **Christian Milaster** and Kim Dao on the birth of Vivienne.



• Attendance Reporting: If you have visited other clubs or attended meetings, conferences, etc., please report your attendance at those clubs/meetings to Peggy by the end of the month. Reminder - make-ups can be two weeks before or two weeks after the meeting(s) that you missed.

## 100% CLUB

The following 58 members had 100% attendance for the month of May:

Kim Adams, George Allen, Vicki Allen, Caroline Baihly, Fred Banfield, Gilda Banfield, Barb Banner, Paul Barton, Ann Beatty, Christine Beech, Audrey Betcher, Richard Brubaker, Tom Bruckman, Armin Budimlic, Sarah Burrington, Barb Callaway, Borge M. Christensen, Jim Clausen, Steve Courts, Cynthia Daube, Betty Devine, Mark Dripps, Sue Dripps, John Edmondson, Dana Funk, Jim Gibson, Alison Good, Paul Grassle, David Harbert, Chris Holloway, Phil Karsell, Kathy Lessard, Rick Lien, Lorie Luedke, Mike Mahrer, Walter Menning, David Moertel, Ingrid Neel, Lois Nietz, Judith O’Fallon, Mike O’Fallon, Ashok Patel, Karen Ricklefs, Merlin Ricklefs, Steve Rossello, Doug Rovang, Cynthia Shaffer, Stacy Sinner, Jim Sloan, Marilyn Stewart, Paul Tieskoetter, Milt Tostrud, Glenn VanLaningham, George Waters, Karel Weigel, Jim Wiekamp, Jerry Williams, John Woodruff.

*(If your name is not listed and you think it should be, please contact Peggy so that our attendance records can be corrected).*



## JUNE ROTARY CALENDAR

<b>June 3</b>	<b>Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall -</b> Dr. Claudia Neuhauser, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Director of the Center for Learning Innovation, University of Minnesota Rochester - “UMR Programs in a National Context”
<b>June 10</b>	<b>Double Tree - Chancellor’s Room</b> Public Safety Commissioner Michael Campion
<b>June 17</b>	<b>RACE Exhibit - Rochester Public Library</b>
<b>June 24</b>	<b>Kahler Hotel - Heritage Hall -</b> Kent and Kim Orwall, Fireworks – <i>Dana Funk going out with a bang!</i>

## OTHER MEETINGS AND EVENTS

<b>June 1</b>	<b>Budget Committee - 5:00 p.m.</b>
<b>June 2</b>	<b>New Board Orientation - 4:00 p.m.,</b> Directors Room, Kahler Hotel
<b>June 7</b>	<b>Channel One - 6:00-8:00 p.m.</b>
<b>June 9</b>	<b>Community Food Response -</b> Contact Glenn VanLaningham or Paul Bleimeyer
<b>June 10</b>	<b>Rotary Board of Directors Meeting 7:00 a.m.,</b> Directors Room, Kahler Hotel
<b>June 15</b>	<b>Rotary Information Meeting -</b> Noon - Directors Room, Kahler Hotel
<b>June 17</b>	<b>White Oaks Park Clean-up –</b> 6:00-7:00 pm

Dear Rochester Rotary Clubs –

Thank you so much for committing \$10,000 a year for 3 years for teacher training. Of course, training teachers is the backbone of the Reading Center’s mission to help those with dyslexia to reach their full potential.



We are so appreciative that you understand just how important this is. All of the lives you impact will be significantly changed. Thank you so much!

Diana Langton, Board Member  
The Reading Center

# THANK YOU ROTATION DAY HOSTS!

**Jeff Allman** - Residents of Old Town Hall

**Jane Belau and Betty Devine** - SEMVA Art Gallery

**Tom Bruckman** - Gift of Life Transplant House

**David Harbert** - ABC Channel 6

**Diane Ilstrup** - ISD #535

**Steve Lehmkuhle and Gail Sauter** - U of M Rochester

**Dan O'Neil** - Mayo Center for Innovation

**Ron Salazar** - Studio Academy

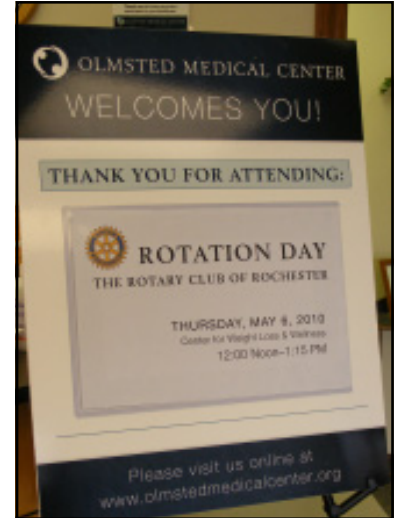
**Stacy Sinner** - Olmsted County Sheriff's Office

**Marilyn Stewart and Barb Banner** - Edina Realty

**Stacey VandenHeuvel** - Olmsted Medical Group



Gift of Life Transplant House Rotation Day



Olmsted Medical Center Rotation Day



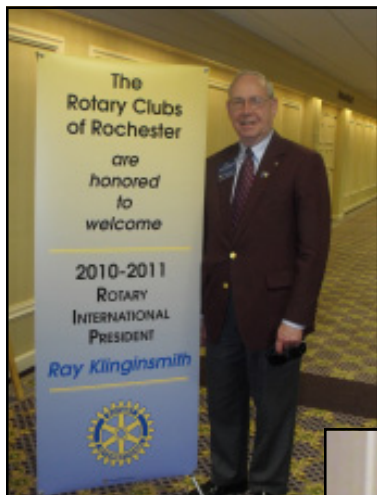
New KAAL-TV newscasters Mary Jo Kelly and Borge M. Christensen



# Rotary International 2010-2011 President Elect Ray Klingensmith Visits the Rochester Rotary Clubs

Thursday, May 27

We were honored to host Ray Klingensmith at our meeting on May 27th. It was a joint meeting with all three Rochester Clubs and there were more than 150 Rotarians present – these included District Leadership and Rotarians from Winona, Red Wing, Winona, Northfield and Wabasha.



## PolioPlus Update

PolioPlus, the most ambitious program in Rotary's history, is the volunteer arm of the global partnership dedicated to eradicating polio. For more than 20 years, Rotary has led the private sector in the global effort to rid the world of this crippling disease. Today, PolioPlus and its role in the initiative is recognized worldwide as a model of public-private cooperation in pursuit of a humanitarian goal.

In addition to providing financial and volunteer support, Rotary works to urge support from other public and private sector partners. This includes the campaign to End Polio Now, inspired by the extraordinary challenge grants received from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

As of 25 May, Rotarians have raised about \$127.4 million for Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge. These contributions will help Rotary raise \$200 million to match \$355 million in challenge grants received from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The resulting \$555 million will directly support immunization campaigns in developing countries, where polio continues to infect and paralyze children, robbing them of their futures and compounding the hardships faced by their families.

As long as polio threatens even one child anywhere in the world, children everywhere remain at risk. The stakes are that high.

### Polio on the decline in Nigeria and India

As of April 20, Nigeria has reported two cases of polio in 2010, compared to 193 cases for the same period in 2009.

India has reported 19 polio cases compared to 32 cases — and none in the past five weeks.

# A message from John Kenny, Rotary International President



In February, I attended the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Rotary Club of St. Paul, Minn., USA. After dinner that evening, a young lady came up to me and asked, “Of everything you have seen this year in Rotary, what has touched your heart the most?”

For such a simple question, it was nearly impossible to answer – only because I have seen so much that has touched my heart so deeply and made me so proud to be a Rotarian. These past 12 months have given me the opportunity and the privilege of observing firsthand how our service touches the lives of others, and how great are the needs we address.

It is one thing to see photographs of the devastation in Haiti caused by January’s earthquake. It was another thing entirely for me to walk among the rubble, to see the collapsed buildings, to understand that the true scope of the tragedy will never be known.

In Banda Aceh, Indonesia, where Rotary has done so much to rebuild the city shattered by the 2004 tsunami, I thought I understood the scale of the disaster before my visit. But I was not prepared for the sight of a large freighter in a field 2 miles inland, swept there by the tsunami.

In China, at a Rotary-supported orphanage, I held a two-month-old girl who had been abandoned on a train. With that baby in my arms, I realized that what Rotary provided to the orphanage – food, warm clothing, a clean and safe home – was only one part of what was needed. What that child wanted most of all, in that moment, was simply to be held and to feel loved, and that touched me very much.

There is so much we can do as Rotarians that will mean so much to others. And as important as it is to give material assistance – to help in the areas of water, health and hunger, and literacy – it is equally vital that we give that help freely, with true caring for others. Because often, simply caring is what helps others most of all.

As this Rotary year and my term as RI president draw to a close, I thank you all for your service to Rotary and your support. I have been honored to serve as your president, and remind you that *The Future of Rotary Is in Your Hands*.

## Rotary Anniversaries

Jerry Mahon	1 year
Joseph O’Toole Jr	1 year
Jerry Lobland	2 years
Christine Bedney	4 years
John Edmonson	7 years
David Moertel	7 years
Jerry Williams	7 years
Patrick Gannon	9 years
Warren Harmon	9 years
Fred Nobrega	9 years
Truda Tyce	10 years
Frank Knox	11 years
Eric Matteson	13 years
Ingrid Neel	13 years
Angie Rustad	14 years
George Thompson	14 years
Robert Fontana	20 years
Carl Anderson	30 years
Donald Scholz	31 years
Mac Hamilton	35 years



Thank you for your continued service to Rotary and to our Club. You are appreciated!

## ROTARY FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGE (RFE)

### An Exchange with District 3820, Philippines

Outbound to Philippines: Jan 27 - Feb 7, 2011

For eight Rotarians and/or partners, the fifth RFE exchange for District 5960 is now arranged with Rotary District 3820 in the Philippines.

### What is Rotary Friendship Exchange?

The Friendship Exchange program is an international exchange program for Rotarians and Rotary couples that provides participants with the opportunity to experience other cultures by staying in the homes of Rotarians, visiting their clubs and participating in the lifestyle/activities of their communities. The goals of the exchange are to advance international understanding and peace through visits across borders as well as promote interclub visits across borders as well as promote interclub relationships, fellowships and service projects. The Rotarians participating gain the opportunity to make long lasting friendships while exploring different areas of the world.

The Friendship Exchange Program is one of Rotary International’s nine structured programs to help clubs and districts achieve service goals in their communities and communities abroad while fostering fellowship and goodwill between countries.

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**THE FOUR-WAY TEST**

- Is it the truth?
- Is it fair to all concerned?
- Will it build good will and better friendships?
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

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**PRESIDENT NOMINEE:** Mark Dripps

**SECRETARY:** Jim Wiekamp

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**PAST PRESIDENT:** Doug Rovang

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Newell Krogmann, LeSueur Rotary

**ASSISTANT GOVERNOR**

Mike O'Fallon, Rochester Rotary

**WEB SITES**

Rochester Rotary: [www.rochesterrotaryclubs.org](http://www.rochesterrotaryclubs.org)

Links to STRIVE – Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic

District 5960: [www.rotary5960.org](http://www.rotary5960.org)

Rotary International: [rotary.org](http://rotary.org)

**ACTIVE COMMITTEES**

Four Avenues of Service  
Club, Vocational, Community, International

**CLUB SERVICE I**

Audrey Betcher, Director

Greeters ..... *Paul Tieskoetter*  
 Membership Development ..... *Karel Weigel*  
 Visitors Desk ..... *Christine Beech*  
 Sergeant-at-Arms ..... *John Woodruff*  
 Mentors ..... *Bill Wiktor*

**CLUB SERVICE II**

Steve Rossello, Director

Club Bulletin ..... *Lorie Luedke, Peggy Schroeder*  
 Club Web Site ..... *Lorie Luedke*  
 Invocations ..... *Anne Berberich*  
 Programs ..... *Rick Lien*  
 Public Relations ..... *Mark Dripps*  
 Four-Way Test ..... *Tom Bruckman*

**CLUB SERVICE III**

Ann Beatty, Director

Bell Ringing - Salvation Army ..... *Paul Bleimeyer,*  
*Mark Neveille*  
 Golf Day ..... *Joe McBride*  
 Music ..... *Jane Belau*  
 Rotary Information ..... *Leigh Johnson*

**VOCATIONAL SERVICE**

Suzanne Dinusson, Director

Rotation Day ..... *Suzanne Dinusson*  
 STRIVE ..... *Linda Herrick*  
 Vocational Talks ..... *Fred Banfield*  
 Auction 2010 ..... *Lorie Luedke, Laurel Schacht*

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Stacy Sinner, Director

Library Host ..... *Allan Sessler, Tom Behrenbeck*  
 Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic ..... *Paul Barton,*  
*Lorie Luedke, Mike Quinn, Doug Rovang, Laurel Schacht*  
 Quarry Hill Fall Festival ..... *Carla Nelson, Brenda Walker*  
 Rotary Reading Project ..... *Cris Fischer, Christian Milaster*  
 Service Above Self Awards ..... *Cresta Deeds,*  
*Linda Hillenbrand*  
 Student Guests ..... *Allie Good, Barbara Porter*  
 Camp RYLA ..... *Steve Rossello, Ashleigh Rosson*  
 White Oaks Park ..... *Ashok Patel, Mike Mahrer*  
 Community Food Response ..... *Glenn VanLaningham,*  
*Paul Bleimeyer*  
 Channel One ..... *Mike O'Fallon, Tom Moyer*

**INTERNATIONAL SERVICE**

Dave Moertel, Director

Foundational Scholarships ..... *Steve Sponsel*  
 Group Study Exchange Team ..... *Gilda Banfield*  
 Rotary International Foundation ..... *Doug Rovang*  
 YouthLINC & Youth Exchange ..... *Vicki Allen*  
 Rotary Gift of Life ..... *Betty Devine*  
 World Community Service ..... *Judith O'Fallon*